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Paul J. McNulty, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia, announced that Donald Lee Liverman, 48, of Virginia Beach, Virginia, was indicted today on four counts of tax evasion and three counts of fraud against the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). If convicted, Liverman faces up to five years of imprisonment, a fine of \$250,000.00, and full restitution on each count.

Beginning in August 1997 and continuing until December 1998, Liverman owned and operated a telemarketing business known as "Voxcom, Inc." The indictment alleges that Liverman withheld over \$370,000.00 in federal taxes from his employees, which he never paid to the IRS. In addition, although Liverman filed joint income taxes with his wife, the indictment alleges that he failed to pay the reported tax liability from 1997 through 2000 and simultaneously concealed income from the IRS by hiding assets and diverting income into his wife's bank accounts. The indictment alleges that Liverman has currently evaded payment of \$565,690.00 in taxes, penalties and interest due the IRS.

In addition to tax evasion, the indictment contains multiple counts of HUD fraud in connection with Liverman's operation of "1<sup>st</sup> Homes, Inc." - a now defunct real estate development firm. Doing business as 1<sup>st</sup> Homes, Liverman bought older homes for resale. The indictment alleges that Liverman made false statements for the purpose of inducing HUD to insure financing to the first-time buyers, who had no knowledge of the fraud. Specifically, it is alleged, Liverman generated false letters from a contractor indicating that structural repairs were made for termite and water damage when, in fact, no such repairs were made.

Also announcing the Indictment are Charles R. Pine, Special Agent-in-Charge, Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation Division, Alexandria Field Office; and Robert J. Brickley, Special Agent-in-Charge, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of the Inspector General, Mid-Atlantic Region.

The case was investigated by agents of the Internal Revenue Service - Criminal Investigation and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of the Inspector General. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Laura C. Marshall.